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THE Democrats—before the election as usual—set great store on the result in Rhode Island. They claimed everything—as usual—and got nothing—as usual.

"WHAT has become of Captain SAM GAINES's new Democratic daily Lexington newspaper?" asks *The Dover News*. Maybe it is in "innocuous desuetude," along with poor GROVER.

KENTUCKY had one dishonest Republican Postmaster, we are sorry to say. He is in jail at Paducah for abstracting money from a registered letter. While the Government is not responsible for the contents of a registered letter that is lost, there is nothing surer than that it will be traced to the party who "lost" it.

It isn't always the biggest thing that makes the strongest impression. An election in Texas would create no more interest throughout the Nation than one held in the Second Ward; the result would be known in advance. But the Democratic editors have been telling the country to keep its eye on the little state of Rhode Island. Well, some people took their advice, and they have seen the Republicans mop up the earth with the Democrats.

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## PATRIOTISM AND POLITICS.

Cardinal GIBBONS, head of the Catholic Church in America, comes to the fore as a powerful public influence, at a most opportune season, in a vigorous article on "Patriotism and Politics," in the April *North American Review*. The Cardinal's article strikes home to nearly every political center in the Union. After defining patriotism, and showing that it has always been a universal virtue, he says:

"Therefore, next to God, our country should hold the strongest place in our affections. Impressed, as we ought to be, with a profound sense of the blessings which our system of government continues to bestow on us, we shall have a corresponding dread lest these blessings should be withdrawn from us. It is a sacred duty for every American to do all in his power to perpetuate our civil institutions, and to avert the dangers that threaten them."

"The system of government which obtains in the United States is tersely described in the well-known sentence: 'A government of the people, by the people, for the people,' which may be paraphrased thus: Ours is a government in which the people are ruled by the representatives of their own choice, and for the benefit of the people themselves."

"The method by which the supreme will of the people is registered is the ballot-box. This is the oracle that proclaims their choice. The heavier scale determines at once the decision of the majority and the selection of the candidate."

"And what spectacle is more sublime than the sight of ten millions of citizens determining, not by the ballot, but by the ballot, the ruler that is to preside over the Nation's destinies for four years?"

"Our Christian civilization gives us no immunity from political corruption and disaster. The oft-repeated cry of election frauds should not be treated with indifference, though, in many instances, no doubt, it is the empty charge of defeated partisans against successful rivals, or the heated language of a party press. But after all reasonable allowances are made, enough remains of a substantial character to be ominous."

"The political money-changer pollutes the temple by his iniquitous bargains. The money-changer in Jerusalem's temple trafficked in doves; the electioneering money-changer traffics in human beings. Let the Minister of Justice arise, and, clothed with the panoply of authority, let him drive those impious men from the temple. Let the buyers and sellers of votes be declared infamous, for they are trading in our American birthright. Let them be cast forth from the pale of American citizenship and be treated as outlaws."

This is very much of an "off year" with our friends the Democrats. After the personal efforts of ex-President CLEVELAND and ex-Governor CAMPBELL of Ohio to rally the forces in Rhode Island, she has gone Republican, with the largest vote ever polled in the history of the state.

THE LEDGER heartily indorses the action of Councilman FITZGERALD at the meeting last night, looking to the establishment of a night school for the benefit of those children who are unable to attend the Public Schools in daytime. It is a move in the right direction, and we hope and believe the Board of Education will be prompt to act upon Mr. FITZGERALD's suggestion.

WHEN the Mills bill was pending, Mr. BUCHANAN of New Jersey offered an amendment to prohibit the importation of goods made by convicts.

Every Democrat voted against it and it was defeated by a vote of 97 to 105.

But such a prohibition was incorporated in the McKinley bill, and again every Democrat voted against it.

Free-traders say to us, in conversation, "If we can get goods made by foreign convicts cheaper than goods made by free labor in this country, the more such goods that come the better it is for this country."

What do the workmen of the United States, and especially those who have been in the habit of voting the Democratic ticket, think of this doctrine?

## PAPER MADE FROM DIRT.

Latest Triumph of Science in Turning Waste Things to Use.

The Refuse Disposal Company, limited, in London, is engaged in the manufacture of paper from the contents of the dust bin, of which three per cent. at least is paper and rags, besides quite a quantity of straw and other rough material. The process, says the *Paper World*, is thus described: The dust on its arrival at the works is shot into a large revolving riddle having a three-inch mesh, through which the heavier and smaller matter finds its way, while the paper, rags, large bottles, tins, etc., are received at the delivery end of the riddle and are duly sorted by hand. The heavier materials which pass through this riddle are received on a traveling band and elevated to a second riddle having a one and a half inch mesh; at the delivery end of this second riddle an air blast blows the lighter materials away from the heavier; the lighter portion principally consists of material suitable for making rough paper; the heavier is automatically delivered on to a revolving table, where it is overlooked by boys, who separate the bones, glass, etc., while the clinkers and organic matter are ground up in a kollergrag. This ground material is sent out from the works for manure. The heavier and smaller pieces which pass through the one and a half-inch mesh of the second riddle are again received on a traveling band and mechanically sifted through a half-inch mesh which divides them into two qualities, ashes, which are automatically delivered into barges, and "breeze." This "breeze" consists of a great extent of small pieces of coal and other organic material, and is used by the company as fuel, being burned in their boilers. To prevent any disagreeable smell the draught for the fires is obtained by exhausting with a fan and the products of combustion passed through an ordinary "scrubber," thus avoiding all nuisance. The paper-making materials are at once run into a common brown casing paper on the premises. Never was a paper-mill with a sixty-inch machine got into a smaller space. The company are now making about fifteen hundred pounds of brown paper in twelve hours. With more space and by more judicious sorting and treatment of the materials to hand the company would without doubt be enabled to increase the value of the papers which they make. The works are sufficiently large to be capable of treating a load of dust in about six minutes. The refuse received in the morning leaves the works as finished paper in the afternoon.

## FREAK OF NATURE.

A Picture of Spokane Falls in the Eye of a Horse.

Some rare and unaccountable freak of nature has made a natural wonder of an unassuming white horse at Spokane Falls, Wash., says the *St. Louis Republic*. The wonder is not the horse himself, but in a picture which covers the front part of the left eye of the animal. Anyone who has ever had the pleasure of a visit to Spokane will remember the falls which give the city its other name; that is, the name of Spokane Falls. The picture in the horse's eye is a perfect miniature of the falls, island, mill and all. The animal's optic has been examined by hundreds of persons, including photographers, scientists, opticians, etc., and the miniature in the eye has been carefully compared with photographs and engravings of the falls, and all have concurred in pronouncing it a wonder of wonders and a most remarkably correct picture. The owner of this wonderful creature, a Mr. Deakin, has been offered all the way from five thousand dollars to ten thousand dollars for his curiosity, but so far he has refused all offers, seeming to prefer being pestered to death by sight-seers, who come by the thousands to view the uncanny picture and ask questions. A traveler, C. A. Dillman, who took a peep at "Wonder of the Rockies" last summer, has the following to say in regard to the horse and the picture: "Mr. Deakin sent the horse around to the hotel where I stopped, in order that I might see him. The animal is white in color and of medium size. I was somewhat skeptical about the story of the picture until I had looked into the horse's left eye. Judge of my astonishment when I saw therein depicted a perfect reproduction of the fall of the Spokane river, as true to life as any photograph. The part of the falls shown is from the waterworks across to the mills. The island on which the waterworks building stands is also shown. The picture is absolutely perfect in every detail. The horse is one of a number bought in by horse-dealers, and has been the property of the present owner (who, by the way, was the discoverer of the picture) but a short while."

## A Queer Matrimonial Meddler.

Six intimate friends, three young men and three young women, in Louisville, two years ago, agreed among themselves that one should not marry unless the other did. A year later, one of the young men and one of the young women became engaged to each other, but as the others were yet apparently heart free they could not marry. Six months later another couple agreed to join their lots for life, but then came trouble. The third young man was willing to marry, but the third young woman was not. This drove the other two couples nearly wild, and they frantically reproached the reluctant maiden for keeping them out of happy matrimony. Finally she yielded, and the three couples were married.

## Southwestern Strangling.

Some idea of the rockiness that controlled Argentine finances may be had by considering that the national, provincial and municipal debts of the country increased from \$100,000,000 in 1880 to \$645,500,000 in 1890. Add to this liabilities on the score of inconvertible currency and state guarantees and the grand total rises to \$888,500,000. The annual interest charge on this debt is \$46,500,000—a sum larger than the whole revenue of the nation at present.

## PICKING AND CHOOSING.

A Favorite Occupation of the Street Trolleys.

An anonymous contributor to the *Atlantic Monthly* has been amusing herself by observing the amusements of poor children in city streets. One raw, gray March Sunday she saw half a dozen little girls—very small, but not babies, the oldest perhaps eight—sitting on the inhospitable steps of a gloomy closed business building down town.

It was a cross street; there were very few people going by. It must have been a dreary tenement house indeed from which, on such a day, this bare place offered a refuge. I suppose a few people, going to and from a ferry, were their entertainers; for, as you will see, it was to feast on the passers-by that they were there.

As I approached, they were gabbling, but softly, with their heads all together, and turned from me toward some retreating feminine figure; but when one looked my way she set up a mysterious little wild cackle, whereupon all attention was centered upon my modest person, and—my vanity expands delightfully now with the recollection—from the first observer I caught, in the loudest and most gleeful of undertones, the words: "That's me! That's me!"

Then lowering her voice, with a note of awe, she added: "Oh, see, see! Silk! silk!" And the small, blue, grimy hands smoothed automatically her own ragged frock, while in a trance of rapture she gazed at mine, where, after all, I remember with still poignant regret, only a very humble portion of silk was visible.

They were "choosing," you see, as I used to from fashion plates, and were utterly oblivious of my existence other than as a lovely vision sent forth for their delight. And what a thing it is for me to know that I once presented such an aspect to fellow-beings!

## GOOD MEMORY.

It Is Not an Independent Faculty of the Mind.

Whatever may be said in regard to training the memory, it must be remembered that memory is not, as used to be supposed, an independent faculty of the mind that in some mysterious way may be directly strengthened by exercise, as the blacksmith strengthens his arm; but that memory is retentive is due to the plasticity of nerve substance, and to the property of nerve centers by which they retain, in growth, their functional modifications; and that recollection depends upon physiological conditions, such as the cerebral circulation and the proper functioning of nerve cells; moreover, that a complete act of recollection is a complex process involving comparison, inference and the like.

Hence, says Scribner, whatever in general is conducive to vigorous health, and whatever tends to habits of clear and orderly thinking—such conditions will aid recollection. And whatever is detrimental to the normal functioning of the nerve cells—fatigue, intense emotion, or the like—and whatever blinds the judgment, will hinder recollection. In short, all psychological conditions are on the head of him who has good health, sane emotions, and trained power of attention. But no amount of study, nor all the prescriptions of mnemonic doctors, from Simonides to Loissette, (except so far as they train attention,) can atone for anemia of body or lack of the power of attention.

## GREAT HEROISM.

The Courageous Conduct of a Young Japanese Nobleman.

I recall to mind a story of an officer in the emperor's army who was besieging a fortress, says *Sir Edwin Arnold*. Their number was small, and a relieving army was coming up. It was of immense moment that they should know how long the fortress could hold out. If it must capitulate for want of supplies within a week they could stay and win the campaign for the emperor. A young Japanese nobleman volunteered to go into the fortress and ascertain how long they could hold out. He disguised himself, and in passing learned that they had food and water for only two days more. As he was going out with this precious information he was detected and the enemy said to him: "We are going to crucify you, but we will let you off on one condition—that you go to the wall and tell your people that we have supplies for a week." He said: "Very well," and he went to the wall. His wife and children in the besiegers' camp saw him, his friends were there also, and he held up both hands and said to them: "There are supplies for but two days. Continue the siege and you will take the place." He died by a hundred spear points, but he had done his duty to his general.

## Ants Know Their Friends.

It is seldom, if ever, that ants belonging to the same formicary quarrel with one another. Ants of different formicaries are always hostile to one another. Sir John Lubbock once made some ants very drunk. One-half was from one nest and the other half from another nest. He marked them with spots of different colors, to distinguish them. They were all put on a table near to the nest from which half of them had been taken. This table was surrounded with water. Some of the sober ants were feeding on honey near by, and after a time discovered the intoxicated ones. They seemed a little puzzled at first, then took the strangers and threw them into the water, but carried their own into their nest.

## A Strange Funeral Custom.

In Italy, France and Spain it is common to ring a handbell a short distance in advance of a funeral procession. The object of this custom is said to be to clear the way for the procession, to remind passengers and loiterers to take off their hats, and to call the pious to their doors and windows to gaze upon the emblem of mortality and to say a prayer for the repose of the soul of the departed one.

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